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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Romano DEGHENGHI *et al.* Confirmation No.: 9172  
Application No.: 10/080,130 Group Art Unit: 1615  
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For: SUSTAINED RELEASE OF  
MICROCRYSTALLINE PEPTIDE  
SUSPENSIONS Attorney Docket No.: 87264-300

**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2005, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and comments into the file of this application.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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